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OF THE

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AND

Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector





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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
THE SANDY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Mr. Chairman and Councillors,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report upon the health, vital statistics and sanitary conditions of the Sandy Urban District for 1951.

The death rate for the year was slightly less than the rate for England and Wales. The number of deaths from disease of the heart and from diseases of the circulatory system was 29, more than half the total deaths, while the number of deaths from all forms of cancer was the same as last year. There was one death from whooping cough and two deaths from pneumonia, but no deaths from tuberculosis.

The infant mortality rate is again slightly higher than that for England and Wales, the number of infant deaths being two, the same as last year.

Of the 118 cases of Infectious Disease notified, whooping cough accounted for 98. There were no cases of diphtheria or poliomyelitis.

I have to express my thanks to the Clerk of the Council and to your Sanitary Inspector for their help and co-operation.

I am,

Yourt obedient servant,

C. A. HARVEY,

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area (in acres)	.....	.....	.....	4362
Registrar-General's Estimate of Home Population	.....	.....	.....	3679
Number of inhabited houses at end of 1951	.....	.....	.....	1205
Rateable Value	.....	.....	.....	£18,526
Sum represented by a penny rate	.....	.....	.....	£69 18s. 9d.

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR

Live Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	27	29	56
Illegitimate	3	3	6
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	30	32	62
Birth Rate per 1000 home population	16.9
Birth Rate for England and Wales	15.5

Still Births

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	2	3
Illegitimate	0	0	0
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	1	2	3
Still Birth Rate per 1000 home population	0.82
Still Birth Rate for England and Wales	0.36

Deaths

All causes	31	23	54
Death Rate per 1000 home population	.....	.....	12.3
Death Rate for England and Wales	.....	.....	12.5
Deaths from diseases and accidents of pregnancy and child birth :			
From Sepsis	0
From other causes	0
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Total	0

Deaths of Infants under One Year of Age

	Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	0	0	0
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	1	1	2
Rate for all infants per 1000 live births	32.3
Rate for England and Wales	29.6

Deaths from :

Measles (all ages)	.....	.....	.....	.....	—
Whooping Cough	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	.....	.....	.....	.....	—
Influenza	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Cancer (all ages)	.....	.....	.....	.....	6

CAUSES OF DEATH

The following table shows causes of death as given in the Registrar-General's statistics.

Cause of Death						Males	Females
All Causes						31	23
1.	Tuberculosis, respiratory	...	...	...	...	—	—
2.	Tuberculosis, other	...	...	...	...	—	—
3.	Syphilitic disease	...	...	...	...	—	—
4.	Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	—	—
5.	Whooping Cough	...	...	...	...	1	—
6.	Meningococcal infections	...	...	...	...	—	—
7.	Acute poliomyelitis	...	...	...	...	—	—
8.	Measles	...	...	...	...	—	—
9.	Other infective and parasitic diseases	...	...	...	...	—	—
10.	Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...	...	...	...	1	—
11.	Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	...	...	...	...	—	—
12.	Malignant neoplasm, breast	...	...	...	...	—	—
13.	Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...	...	...	...	—	—
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm...	...	...	...	...	3	2
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia	...	...	...	...	—	—
16.	Diabetes	...	...	...	...	—	1
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system...	...	...	...	...	4	1
18.	Coronary disease, angina	...	...	...	...	6	2
19.	Hypertension with heart disease	...	...	...	...	—	1
20.	Other heart disease	...	...	...	...	3	9
21.	Other circulatory disease	...	...	...	...	1	2
22.	Influenza	...	...	...	...	2	1
23.	Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	1	1
24.	Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	—	3
25.	Other diseases of respiratory system	...	...	...	...	—	—
26.	Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	...	...	...	...	1	—
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	...	...	...	...	—	—
28.	Nephritis and nephrosis	...	...	...	...	—	—
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate	...	...	...	...	—	—
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	...	...	...	...	—	—
31.	Congenital malformations	...	...	...	...	—	—
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases	...	...	...	...	5	—
33.	Motor vehicle accidents	...	...	...	...	2	—
34.	All other accidents	...	...	...	...	1	—
35.	Suicide	...	...	...	...	—	—
36.	Homicide and operations of war	...	...	...	...	—	—

STATISTICAL TABLE, 1942-1951

	Death Rate		Birth Rate		Infant Mortality Rate	
Year	Sandy U.D.	England & Wales	Sandy U.D.	England & Wales	Sandy U.D.	England & Wales
1942	8.2	11.6	17.1	15.8	0.0	49
1943	12.9	12.1	19.2	16.5	73.5	49
1944	18.1	11.6	24.2	17.6	45.4	46
1945	12.8	11.4	18.5	16.1	30.7	46
1946	13.2	11.5	19.6	19.1	44.1	43
1947	15.1	12.0	18.6	20.5	46.0	41
1948	12.5	10.8	18.0	17.9	31.7	34
1949	11.0	11.8	14.8	16.7	18.5	32
1950	12.3	11.6	18.4	15.8	31.7	29.8
1951	12.3	12.5	16.9	15.5	32.3	29.6

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES

Public Health Officers—

Medical Officer of Health—

C. A. Harvey, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector—

R. W. Settle, A.I.A.S., M.R.S.I.

Laboratory Facilities

The services of the Public Health Laboratory Department of Pathology, Tennis Court Road, Cambridge, is available for the examination of any material submitted by the Health Department or by General Practitioners. This service is under the direction of the Medical Research Council through the Ministry of Health, and there is no charge to the Council. The Laboratory undertakes the examination of throat swabs, sputum, urine and fæces, and blood from cases of suspected infectious disease, and advice and assistance is always available.

A similar service is now available at the Public Health Laboratory which has been established at the Bedford General Hospital (North Wing), Bedford.

Ambulance Facilities

The Bedfordshire County Council provides a complete service covering the whole of the County. The service is a twenty-four hour one and is free of charge, and is available for the removal of all cases requiring admission to hospital and also for the transport of patients who are unable to use other means of transport to and from Hospitals or Clinics, so that they can receive any necessary treatment. The request for the provision of an ambulance must be made by a General Practitioner or by an Authorised Person.

The service is also available for the transport of persons suffering from infectious disease to isolation hospital.

The following depots are situated in the eastern and northern districts of the County :—

Biggleswade	... Crab Lane	.. Tel.—Biggleswade 2295
Bedford	... Newnham Avenue	Bedford 67321

Midwifery and Domociliary Nursing Services

The County Council is responsible for this service under the provisions of the National Health Service Act, 1946. The service is free, and in the District there is one Nurse Midwife available.

<i>District</i>	<i>Name and Address of Nurse</i>	<i>Tel. No.</i>
Sandy Temsford Blunham Mogerhanger	Miss H. W. Pearse, 68 St. Neots Road, Sandy, Beds	Sandy 105

Clinics and Treatment Centres

Child Welfare

Church Room, Sandy—Every alternate Thursday afternoon.

Venereal Diseases

Bedford General Hospital, South Wing. The days and times of attendance are :

Males	Monday to Friday	4—8 p.m.
Females	Monday and Tuesday	6 p.m.
	Wednesday	5—7 p.m.
	Thursday	5 p.m.
	Friday	3—5 p.m.

Tuberculosis

The Chest Clinic, Bedford General Hospital, North Wing, Kimbolton Road, Bedford. The days and times of attendance are :

Monday	2 p.m. to 7 p.m.	Refills (A.P. and P.P.)
Tuesday	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	} Women and children—new and old patients
	2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	
Wednesday	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Contacts
	2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	Old patients—male and female
Thursday	9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.	Males—old and new patients
Friday	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Refills (A.P. and P.P.)
	2 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.	Special cases

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Water Supply

Water is supplied to the area by the Biggleswade Water Board and has proved very satisfactory in quality and quantity. Samples have been taken periodically during the year and the results have shown that the supply is of the highest standard of organic and bacterial purity. The following report by the Counties Public Health Laboratories of a sample sent for examination on 25th September, 1951, is typical.

Chemical Results in parts per Million

Appearance—Bright, with a very few mineral particles.

Turbidity—less than 3.

Colour	.....	Nil
Odour	.....	Nil
Reaction pH.	.....	7.3
Free Carbon Dioxide	.....	14
Electric Conductivity	.....	410
Total Solids	.....	275
Chlorine present as Chloride	.....	14
Alkalinity as Calcium Carbonate	.....	190
Hardness—Total	.....	205
Carbonate	.....	190
Non-Carbonate	.....	15
Nitrate Nitrogen	.....	0.0
Nitrite Nitrogen	.....	Less than 0.01
Ammoniacal Nitrogen*	.....	0.012
Albuminoid Nitrogen*	.....	0.000
Metals	.....	.....Iron 0.03
Other Metals	.....	Absent
Oxygen absorbed	.....	0.05
Residual Chlorine	.....	Absent

*To convert to Ammonia multiply by 1.21

Bacteriological Results

Number of Colonies developing on Agar per cc. or ml. in

1 day at 37 degs. C.	.....	0 per ml.
2 days at 37 degs. C.	.....	0 per ml.
3 days at 20 degs. C.	.....	1 per ml.
Presumptive coli—aerogenes Reaction	.....	Absent from 100 ml.
Bact. coli (type 1)	.....	....." 100 ml.
Cl. welchii Reaction	.....	....." 100 ml.

This sample is practically clear and bright in appearance, neutral in reaction and from metals apart from a negligible trace of iron. The water is hard in character but not unduly so and it contains no excess of salinity or mineral constituents in solution. It is of the highest standard of organic quality.

From the aspect of the chemical analysis these results are consistent with a pure and wholesome water suitable for public supply purposes.

FACTORIES ACT, 1937 (Part I)

1. INSPECTIONS

Inspections for purposes of provisions as to Health

Premises	Number on Register	Number of Inspections	Number of Written Notices	Number of Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	13	26	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	32	60	—	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises) ...	—	—	—	—
Total	45	86	—	—

Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector	Referred by H.M. Inspector	
Want of Cleanliness	—	—	—	—	—
Overcrowding	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate Ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences :					
(a) Insufficient	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Unsuitable or defective	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for sexes	—	—	—	—	—
Other Offences against the Act not including offences relating to out-work	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—

Part VIII

OUTWORK

Nature of Work	Section 110			Section 111		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Sec. 110 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
Wearing apparel } Making	3	...	...	...	...	...

INFECTIOUS DISEASES OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS

(a) General Statistics

The following table shows the number of cases of infectious diseases notified during the year, together with the number of cases admitted to hospital and the deaths from these diseases.

Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) notified during the year 1951

Disease				Total Cases notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total deaths registered
Meningococcal Infection	...	...	...	1	1	...
Pneumonia	...	...	...	8	2	2
Erysipelas	...	...	...	1	...	...
Measles	...	...	...	8	...	...
Whooping Cough	...	...	...	98	4	1

(b) Individual Disease

Meningococcal Infection

One case was notified and admitted to hospital.

Erysipelas

One case was notified.

Measles

Eight cases were notified. No deaths occurred.

Whooping Cough

Ninety-eight cases were notified and four were admitted to hospital. One death was recorded.

Pneumonia

Eight cases were notified and two were admitted to hospital. Two deaths were recorded.

Cleansing of Verminous People. Scabies Order, 1941

Treatment for infected persons is available at the Borough Treatment Centre, Bedford, by arrangement with the Borough of Bedford. No persons received treatment during the year.

Artificial Immunisation against Diphtheria

The figures given below show the number of children under 15 years of age who have received protective treatment against Diphtheria, and have been given by the Eastern Divisional Medical Officer. The number of children who received primary immunisation in 1951 is higher than in 1950 and it is still necessary to urge all parents to give their children the protection which can be had free of cost from their own doctor or at a Welfare Clinic or at school.

Since the introduction of immunisation throughout the country, there has been a remarkable decline in the number of cases and deaths from Diphtheria, and, in many of the smaller areas, no cases have occurred for several years with the result that the seriousness of the disease tends to be forgotten. Should the percentage of children protected against the disease decline, there is a danger that diphtheria may once more take its toll of child life.

Immunisation in Relation to Child Population

Numbers of Children who had completed a full course of Immunisation at any time up to 31st December, 1951								
Age at 31.12.51, i.e. born in year	Under 1 1951	1 1950	2 1949	3 1948	4 1947	5—9 1942—46	10—14 1937—41	Total under 15
Number Immunised	12	52	61	82	89	174	54	524
Estimated mid-year population 1951		311				522		

II. Primary Immunisation during the Year 1951

Number of children during the year 1951 who completed a full course of Primary Immunisation in the Authority's Area (including Temporary residents).								
Age at 31.12.51, i.e. born in year	Under 1 1951	1 1950	2 1949	3 1948	4 1947	5—9 1942—46	10—14 1937—41	Total under 15
Number Immunised	12	48	8	2	2	9	—	81

III. Diphtheria Notifications and Deaths in relation to Immunisation

Age at date of notification	Number of cases notified	No. of cases included in preceding column in which child had completed full course of Immunisation	Age at date of Death	Number of Deaths	No. of cases included in preceding column in which child had completed full course of Immunisation
Under 1	Under 1	...	...
1	1	...	...
2	2	...	...
3	3	...	...
4	4	...	...
5—9	5—9	...	...
10—14	10—14	...	...
Totals ...	NIL	...	Totals ...	NIL	...

TUBERCULOSIS

The following table shows the number of new cases, and the number of deaths in their age groups.

Age Distribution of Cases and Deaths

Age Periods			New Cases				Deaths			
			Respiratory		Non-Respiratory		Respiratory		Non-Respiratory	
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	...	...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	...	...	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	...	...	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—
45	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	...	...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
65 and upwards			—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	...		1	2	—	1	—	—	—	—

No action was necessary under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, or under section 172 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

The following table shows the number of new cases of tuberculosis notified and the number of deaths for the years 1942-1951.

	New Cases			Deaths		
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Tot'l	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Tot'l
1942	3	—	3	—	—	—
1943	—	1	1	1	1	2
1944	2	1	3	2	2	4
1945	1	2	3	—	—	—
1946	3	—	3	1	1	2
1947	2	—	2	—	—	—
1948	1	2	3	—	—	—
1949	6	1	7	2	—	2
1950	1	1	2	—	—	—
1951	3	1	4	—	—	—

REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR AND SURVEYOR FOR THE YEAR 1951

MR. CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILLORS,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report on the Sanitary Conditions.

1. Drainage and Sewerage

The town is sewered along the main streets. The sewer runs from the Station Bridge, along High Street, Bedford Road, and a portion of London Road, with branches from St. Swithun's Way, Cambridge Road, Pleasant Place, Park Road, King's Road, The Avenue, Fuller's Cafe, Laburnum Road, Church Path, Queen's Road and South Road. A second sewer runs from Brickhill Road across the Roods into St. Neots Road opposite the Council Offices and connects to the first sewer at the junction of St. Neots Road and Bedford Road, and has a branch from Northcroft. A third commences at the Council Offices and runs north along St. Neots Road, West Road to South Road, and through the gardens of West Road to London Road, connecting to number one opposite All Saints Church, with branches from Longfield Road, East Road and South Road. A fourth commences in St. Neots Road approximately opposite East Road and runs north to London Road then South in London Road, where it connects with the first sewer at Hamlet End Farm, with a branch from Carter Street. From London Road opposite Hamlet End Farm the sewage is conveyed in a 15" main to the Sewage Disposal Works.

Swaden, Stratford Road, Station Road, Ivel Road, Mill Lane, Tempsford Road, Beeston and Seddington are not sewered.

Extension to include Beeston and Mill Lane were commenced during the year.

2. Rivers and Streams

The Ivel Internal Drainage Board undertake the cleaning of all streams. The Council during the year trimmed over two miles of ditches.

3. Closet Accommodation

There are 1049 houses on the water carriage system, 162 pails and privies. Included in these figures are 174 houses connected to cesspools.

Conversions from Pails to Water Closets

1945 ... 1	1947 ... 20	1949 ... 1	1951 ... NIL
1946 .. 3	1948 ... 15	1950 ... 1	

4. Public Cleansing

The collection of household refuse and the emptying of pails is carried out by the Council's workmen. The work is generally satisfactory. The emptying of cesspools is carried out by contract.

The following is a summary of the work carried out during the year :—

Total number of visits made	.....	.....	86,402
Ashbins emptied	.....	.....	70,180
Privies emptied	.....	.....	—
Cesspools emptied	.....	.....	22
Pail Closets emptied	.....	.....	16,200
Loads of refuse and night soil removed	.....	.....	827

Street Gullies are emptied regularly and street scavenging is done weekly.

The following table shows the quantities of salvage sold the year :—

	T	C	Q	£	s.	d.
Mixed iron and non-ferrous metals	3	6	2	17	2	7
Kitchen waste (pig food)	70	6	3	211	0	3
Paper	1	19	3	4	10	8
Total	75	13	0	£232	13	6

5. Sanitary Inspection of the Area

Inspections for housing defects	.....	.....	.....	42
Number of inspections made for the purpose	.....	.....	.....	73
Statutory Notices (Housing Acts)	.....	.....	.....	—
Statutory Notices (Public Health Acts)	.....	.....	.....	1
Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit at service of formal notices :				
(a) By owner	.....	.....	.....	1
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners	.....	.....	.....	—
Number of Informal Notices	.....	.....	.....	15
Number of dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action	.....	.....	.....	15
Sanitary routine inspections	.....	.....	.....	321
Butcher's shops and foodstuffs	.....	.....	.....	32
Factories and Workshops including bakehouses	.....	.....	.....	98
Dairies and cowsheds	.....	.....	.....	10
Infectious diseases and disinfection	.....	.....	.....	—

6. Shops

No action with regard to shops was found necessary.

7. Smoke Abatement

No action was necessary.

8. Eradication of Bed Bugs

No cases reported.

9. Factories and Workshops

There are 43 Factories and Workshops on the Register and 98 visits have been made.

Builders	.....	} 13	Electrician	.....	1
Joiners	.....		Millers	.....	3
Painters	.....		Motor Engineers	.....	6
Plumbers	.....		Printers	.....	1
Bakers	.....	5	Saddlers	.....	2
Basket Maker	.....	1	Stone Mason	.....	1
Blacksmith	.....	1	Tailor	.....	1
Boot Repairers	.....	4	Wireless Repairer	.....	1
Cycle Repairers	.....	2	Coach Builder	.....	1
Gas Works	.....	1	Clothing Factory	.....	1

There are two outworkers.

All the premises are generally satisfactory.

Inspection and Supervision of Food

(a) Milk Supply

4 Persons are registered under the Milk and Dairies Order.

2 Cowkeepers and wholesale Purveyors of Milk.

2 Retail Purveyors only.

(b) Meat and Other Foods

The slaughtering of animals for the sale of human consumption in this area was discontinued on 15th January, 1940, under the Livestock (Restriction on Slaughtering) Order, 1940.

Shops, vehicles and places where food is prepared have been duly inspected and found to be in good order.

Voluntary surrender of the undermentioned foodstuffs found to be unfit for human consumption has been made, with the exception of imported and home-killed meat, the foodstuffs was either destroyed or salvaged for animal food.

Imported and Home-killed Meat	.....	149 lbs.
Canned Fruit and Vegetables	.....	33 lbs.
Canned Meat	.....	54 lbs.
Bacon	.....	8 lbs.
Cheese	.....	10 lbs.

(c) Ice Cream

Five premises are registered for the sale of Ice Cream. It is purchased from reputable manufacturers. Ice cream is not manufactured in the Urban District.

Sewage Disposal Works

The sewage arrives at the Works 13' 3" below the surface of the ground level and is lifted by two Mirrlees Watson electric motors and pumps. The motors have given an excellent performance, and the attention required is negligible. The motors are automatic and are governed by electrodes.

Summary of Electricity Consumed

	1945	1946	1947	1948	1849	1950	1951
January		829	975	862	797	755	1070
February		792	927	760	684	852	1130
March		997	938	785	750	774	1248
April		892	1115	758	735	842	1264
May		987	884	930	874	933	1162
June		941	850	898	767	858	1115
July		1050	854	762	730	1320	1080
August	517	1068	649	909	694	1050	1077
September	880	1116	631	824	608	880	932
October	971	1006	596	812	851	853	863
November	766	1109	627	782	789	1020	1083
December	901	1054	702	784	761	824	935

Rainfall

Month	Total	Greatest Rainfall in 24 hours		No. of days with	
		Inches	Date	.01 or over	.04 or over
January	1.78	.37	5	14	11
February	2.67	.53	3	19	14
March	2.48	.39	24	17	15
April	2.55	.52	8	13	13
May	1.75	.31	26	12	10
June.....	1.33	.49	11	10	8
July .....	.85	.36	22	7	4
August	4.02	.28	6	16	15
September	1.71	.49	27	13	10
October .....	.91	.23	29	18	6
November	3.40	.67	24	21	20
December	1.15	.26	3	13	9
	24.63			163	135

COUNCIL HOUSING

The following is a summary of the various defects, etc., which have been dealt with in connection with the Council's Houses.

Summary of Repairs

Baths repaired	.....	.....	.....	5
Copper (brick) supplied and fixed	.....	.....	.....	1
Copper (brick) repaired	.....	.....	.....	31
Portable coppers supplied and fixed	.....	.....	.....	10
Portable coppers repaired	.....	.....	.....	7
Copper lids supplied	.....	.....	.....	1
Electric coppers supplied	.....	.....	.....	0
Electric coppers repaired	.....	.....	.....	58
Ceilings renewed	.....	.....	.....	0
Ceilings repaired	.....	.....	.....	9
Chimney stacks and flues repaired	.....	.....	.....	44
Chimney pots provided and fixed	.....	.....	.....	31
Chimney cowls (new)	.....	.....	.....	5
W.C. Cisterns (new)	.....	.....	.....	12
W.C. Cisterns adjusted	.....	.....	.....	118
Decorations, internal or lime washing	.....	.....	.....	23
Doors (new)	.....	.....	.....	1
Doors eased and repaired	}	.....	175	
Door furniture repaired or renewed				
Door hoods repaired	.....	.....	.....	0
Door steps repaired	.....	.....	.....	2
Dust bins	.....	.....	.....	21
Draining boards (new)	.....	.....	.....	13
Draining boards repaired	.....	.....	.....	3
Electric ovens repaired	.....	.....	.....	2
Electrical defects	.....	.....	.....	47
Drains re-laid	.....	.....	.....	1
Drains repaired	.....	.....	.....	14
Drains unblocked	.....	.....	.....	79
Eaves, gutters, R.W.P., cleansed or repaired	.....	.....	.....	66
Floors re-laid	.....	.....	.....	0
Floors repaired	.....	.....	.....	16
Fences renewed or repaired	.....	.....	.....	10
Gully surrounds	.....	.....	.....	0
Gas cookers (new)	.....	.....	.....	0
Gas cookers repaired	.....	.....	.....	0
Hot water systems	.....	.....	.....	19
Lavatory basins (new)	.....	.....	.....	0
Lavatory basins repaired	.....	.....	.....	0
Man-hole covers renewed	.....	.....	.....	0
Man-hole covers repaired	.....	.....	.....	0
Painting, externally	.....	.....	.....	12
Plaster repaired	.....	.....	.....	23
Pail closets	.....	.....	.....	0

Pavements (new)	0
Pavements repaired	0
Picture rails repaired	0
Stoves and ranges (new)	0
Stoves and ranges repaired	41
Registers (tile), new	0
Registers (tile) repaired	12
Rain water tanks (new)	0
Rain water tanks repaired	18
Refrigerators repaired	0
Roofs, ridges, etc. repaired	27
Roughcasting repaired	0
Sinks (new)	0
Sinks repaired	40
Sink and bath wastes, etc. unblocked	0
Skirting boards repaired	11
Taps (bib), new	12
Taps (stop), new	12
Taps washered, re-seated or packed	159
Soil pipes and vent shafts repaired	0
Stairs and stair rails repaired	3
Soak-aways provided	4
Windows (steel) repaired	2
Windows (steel), new	0
Windows (wood), new	2
Windows (wood) repaired	66
Water services repaired	96
Water closet pedestals, new	4
Water closet pedestals repaired	11
Water closet seats, new	9
Water closet seats repaired	8
Water closet flush pipes	4

Council Houses Painted

1946	...	14	1949	...	91
1947	..	69	1950	...	65
1948	..	48	1951	...	67

Number of Houses owned by the Council

1945	...	225	1949	...	330
1946	...	235 (10 prefab. bungalows)	1950	...	340
1947	...	243	1951	...	356
1948	...	301			

Number of Houses erected during the Year

	Local Authority			Private	
1946	...	10 (prefab. bungalows)	...	2	
1947	...	8	...	2	
1948	...	58	...	3	
1949	...	29	...	5	
1950	...	10	...	7	
1951	...	16	...	2	

Plans submitted during the Year 1951

APPROVED

Dwelling Houses					
(a) Local Authority	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
(b) Private	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
(c) Additions	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
Garages	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Agricultural and Horticultural Buildings				.....	9
Industrial and Business Premises				.....	4
Caravans	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Advertisements	.....	.....	.....	.....	1

Civil Building Control

In August, 1945, Local Authorities were requested to undertake the licensing of building work within certain limits, under Defence Regulation 56A, also the granting of licenses for private builders to erect houses. The following table shows the Building Licences issued during the year under review.

Number of Licences granted for the erection of	
dwelling houses	..... 4
	Value £7300 0s. 0d.

Number of Licences granted for the repair,	
additions and extensions of dwelling-houses	..... 9
	Value £3383 0s. 0d.

Surveyor's Inspections

Housing Sites	.....	.....	.....	.....	198
Individual Houses in course of instruction	.....	.....	.....	.....	1191
New Streets and Sewers	.....	.....	.....	.....	—
Alterations and Extensions to existing property				.....	41
Civil Building Licences (visits in connection with)				.....	37
Sewage Disposal Works	.....	.....	.....	.....	285

Swimming Baths and Pools

There are no privately owned or public swimming baths or pools in this district.

New Streets and Sewers

There were no extensions to the roads or sewers during the year.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their consideration and support extended to me during the year, and to Mr. Usher, Clerk to the Council, and to Mr. Hanford, Finance Officer, and the staff for their kind assistance and loyal co-operation.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

REG. W. SETTLE, A.I.A.S., A.R.S.I.

Surveyor.

